



THE BRITISH ASSOCIATION FOR CONTEMPORARY LITERARY STUDIES

Welcome to the BACLS Summer 2023 newsletter

The BACLS newsletter shares calls for papers, job listings, recent publications, and events (including conferences, talks, and exhibitions) relating to Contemporary Literary Studies in Britain and around the world.

Items for upcoming newsletters should be sent to the acting BACLS Publicity Officer, Julia Ditter at julia-ditter@outlook.com or via messaging the [@BACLS_official](#) Twitter account.

Please send items by 15th September 2023 for inclusion in the next mailing.

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Call for papers / articles / contributions

Call for Papers: Special Issue on "The Forms of Academic Work", *Postmodern Culture*, edited by the Working Group on Academic Forms (University of Frankfurt). The special issue seeks to utilize the form of the electronic journal to think through the ways in which the forms we do academic work in structure that work. We seek contributions willing to catalog, theorize, and historicize, to (re)conceptualize and innovate specific forms of academic work. Ideas may be submitted in the form of an abstract, précis, sketch, or any other apparently suitable short form to flanzend@em.uni-frankfurt.de by 1st October. Projects should be completed by 2 April 2024. Please see the CfP [here](#).

Call for Papers: [World Congress of Scottish Literatures](#), University of Nottingham, 3rd-7th July 2024. While the fourth World Congress does not have a specific theme, our scope is transnational, and we would especially welcome papers on subjects that reflect the specific context of the Congress in Nottingham: the relationship between Scotland and England from earliest times to the present, a relationship which has had profound implications for the entire world, and which is a significant relationship in literatures in Scots, Gaelic, English, French and Latin from earliest evidence to contemporary production. Proposals of 200 words are due by 31st October.

Events

BACLS WHN 2023 Conference Birmingham & Online

The [draft programme](#) for the BACLS WHN Conference on 6th & 8th September (Birmingham/Online) is now available. To register for in-person or online attendance, please [click here](#).

New Publications

Article: Siân Adiseshiah (2023). "[Old Age, Gender and Constructions of the Contemporary](#)." *Journal of the British Academy* 10 (2).

Article: Sara Pini (2023). "[On the Edge: The Visual Representation of Young Protagonists as Wanderers](#)." *Linguae & Journal of Modern Languages and Cultures* 23 (1), 1–21.

All members are encouraged to share news of recently published books, essays, or articles, so please feel free to send those over to include in future newsletters.

Job / Funded PhD Listings

[Fellowships at the Käte Hamburger Centre for Apocalyptic and Post-Apocalyptic Studies](#) (CAPAS) 2024-25, University of Heidelberg (Germany). Full Time, Fixed Term (6 months). Closes 31st August.

[Professor of Literature](#), University of Hull, School of Humanities. Full Time, Permanent. Closes 25th August.

[Policy Lead: AHRC Creative Communities Programme](#), Northumbria University, Newcastle-upon-Tyne. Full Time, Fixed Term (April 2025). Closes 15th September.

[Emmanuel College Research Fellowships 2024](#), University of Cambridge (post-doc & pre-doc). Full Time, Fixed Term (3 years). Closes 29th September.

[Research Fellowship](#) (pre- & post-doc), University of Cambridge, Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences, Newnham College. Full Time, Fixed Term (3 years). Closes 29th September.

Please note BACLS shares all opportunities, so as to present a wide range of jobs on offer but does not seek to endorse precarious and fractional employment as a standard practice.

Other Announcements

Membership Fee Waiver

BACLS offers a 12-month membership fee waiver for members who may be experiencing financial hardship. If you would like to request a fee waiver then please contact Julia Ditter, Membership Secretary (julia-ditter@outlook.com).